NIGERIA BAPTIST MISSION REUNION

For many years the focus of the Baptist Mission Nigeria reunion has been to reconnect with fellow missionaries, share memories, and receive updates from the mission field. This has been primarily done through the eyes of career missionaries. This year's program will focus, instead, on the experiences and issues that helped define and shape the personalities of MKs who grew up in Nigeria.



Through the Eyes of MKs: What Has Made Us Unique

October 29 – November 1, 2026
Shocco Springs Baptist Conference Center
Talladega, Alabama



Thursday Evening		
5:30p	Dinner	
6:45p	Welcome and Announcements	Martin Locke
	Hymns led by Bill Carr & Shirley Crowder	
8:00p	Fellowship & Refreshments	
Friday Morning		
7:30a	Breakfast	
8:30a	Free Time (Fellowship & Refreshments)	
12:00p	Lunch	
Friday Afternoon		
1:00p	Free Time Hikers meet on veranda	
3:00p - 5:30p	**Mission Marketplace** Book Signing, Craft Show and curios	Room 1326
Friday Evening		
5:30p	Dinner	
6:45p	Welcome & Announcements	Martin Locke
	Hymns led by Bill Carr & Shirley Crowder	
	Session 1: Updates from Nigeria Panel: Angel Oswood, Ashley Sparkman	Martin Locke, Moderator
8:00p	Break (Fellowship & Refreshments)	
8:30p	**Session 2: Did That Really Happen??** Holly Welborn "First MK Impressions" Brenda Carr "Bugs, rodents, and snakes" Gail Hill "The sweet girls of Newton"	Martin Locke, Moderator

Saturday Morning		
7:30a	Breakfast	
8:45a	Announcements & Open Remarks	Martin Locke
	Session 3: Events & Experiences That Shaped Our Lives Jarry Richardson "Where is Home? Acceptance" John Whirley "Neglect and Abandonment" Sheryl Clements "Leaving the Mission Field"	Ken Wasson, Moderator
10:15a	Break (Fellowship & Refreshments)	
10:45a	**Session 4: Joys of Being an MK** Jon Low "Developing Long-Term Relationships with MKs, Parents, Nigerians" Beth Wells "Excitement and Uniqueness of the Holidays" Ron Wasson "Embracing the Richness of a Different Culture"	Mack Bowers, Moderator
	Concluding Remarks	Ken Wasson
12:00p	Lunch	
Saturday Afternoon		
1:30p	**In Memoriam:** Remembering and Honoring all who have gone before us	Martin Locke
2:30p	Open Discussion/Input/Reports	
2:30p	Free Time Hikers meet on veranda	
2:30 - 5:30p	**Mission Marketplace** Book Signing, Craft Show and curios	Room 1326
Saturday Evening		
5:30p	Dinner	
6:45p	Announcements	Martin Locke
	Talent Show	Cathy Boldt
	Fellowship & Refreshments	
Sunday Morning		
7:00a	Morning Worship	Alan Locke
7:30a	Breakfast	
	Hugs and Goodbyes...until we meet again	



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SAFE JOURNEY!



